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Re:

Application of Anssi HOVINEN, Janne KESÄLÄ and Pekka SOININEN

METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR MAKING OPTICAL FIBRES

Assignee: Nextrom Holding S.A.

Our Ref: Q88089

Dear Sir:

The following documents and fees are submitted herewith in connection with the above application for the purpose of entering the National stage under 35 U.S.C. §371 and in accordance with the Patent Cooperation Treaty:

- ☑ a copy of the International Application.
- ☑ nine (9) sheets of drawings (figs. 1-16).
- ☑ an English translation of Article 34 amendments (annexes to the IPER).
- ☑ an Information Disclosure Statement, an International Search Report, a PTO/SB/08 A & B (modified) listing the ISR references and a copy of each reference cited in the ISR.
- ☑ a Preliminary Amendment.
- ☑ it is expressly requested that the national stage of processing be commenced immediately in accordance with 35 U.S.C. § 371(f)

A copy of the executed Declaration and Assignment will be submitted at a later date.

In addition to the documents submitted herewith, it is assumed that copies of the International Application, the International Search Report and cited references, the International Preliminary Examination Report, and any Articles 19 and 34 amendments as required by §371(c) will be supplied directly by the International Bureau, but if further copies are needed, the undersigned will undertake to provide them upon request.



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